

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: HORII et al.

Application No.: 09/398,366

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Group: 2877

Title: OPTICAL IMAGING APPARATUS

Examiner: NOT ASSIGNED



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December 12, 2001

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Attached is a Form PTO-1449 listing the enclosed documents.

Should a first Action on the merits have been issued on the same day or before this Information Statement is filed, please accept this Information Disclosure Statement under Rule 97(c) and charge the requisite Rule 17(p) fee to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975, under order No. 41050/264018 and proceed to consider this Information Disclosure Statement.

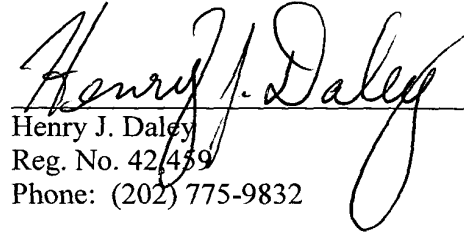
This Information Disclosure Statement is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicant to comply fully.

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Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the herewith Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 along with an early Action on the merits of this application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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